SENATORIAL DISTRICTS—AMENDING ACT APPORTIONING THE STATE OF TEXAS INTO SENATORIAL DISTRICTS.

H. B. No. 8.]

CHAPTER 60.

An Act to amend Art. 24 and 25 Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, apportioning the State of Texas into Senatorial Districts; declaring what counties shall constitute each Senatorial District; providing for returns of elections; repealing all laws in conflict herewith; providing the date it shall take effect; providing that if any part shall be declared unconstitutional it shall not affect any other part, and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That Article 24, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, shall hereafter read as follows::

Article 24. The Senatorial Districts of the State of Texas shall hereafter be composed respectively of the following named counties, each of which districts shall be entitled to elect one Senator, to-wit:

No. 1. Bowie, Marion, Cass, Morris and Titus.

No. 2. Harrison, Gregg, Rusk, Panola and Shelby.
No. 3. Cherokee, Nacogdoches, San Augustine, Angelina, Sabine,
Newton, Jasper and Tyler.

No. 4. Orange, Jefferson, Hardin and Liberty.

No. 5. Grimes, Montgomery, Trinity, Leon, Houston, Polk, Madison, Walker and San Jacinto.

No. 6.

Navarro, Henderson, Anderson, Freestone and Kaufman. Camp, Wood, Upshur, Smith and Van Zandt. Lamar, Delta, Franklin, Hopkins and Red River. No. 7. No. 8.

No. 9. Cooke, Grayson and Fannin.

No. 10. Rockwall, Collin, Hunt and Rains.

No. 11. Dallas.

No. 12. Johnson, Hill, Ellis, Hood and Somervell.

No. 13. McLennan, Falls, Limestone and Milam.

No. 14. Bastrop, Lee, Burleson, Washington, Brazos and Robertson.

No. 15. Fayette, Lavaca, Colorado, Austin, and Waller.

No. 16. Harris.

No. 17. Wharton, Ft. Bend, Matagorda, Brazoria, Galveston and Chambers.

Wilson, Atascosa, Karnes, DeWitt, Victoria, Goliad, Live No. 18. Oak, San Patricio, Bee, Refugio, Aransas, Calhoun and Jackson.

No. 19. Blanco, Hays, Comal, Caldwell, Guadalupe and Gonzales. No. 20. San Saba, Lampasas, Llano, Burnet, Williamson and Travis.

No. 21. Bell, Erath, Bosque, Hamilton and Coryell.

No. 22. Montague, Jack, Wise, Denton, Palo Pinto and Parker. No. 23. Hardeman, Foard, Knox, Wilbarger, Baylor, Wichita,

Archer, Young and Clay.

No. 24. Scurry, Fisher, Jones, Haskell, Shackelford, Stephens, astland, Callahan, Taylor, Nolan, Mitchell and Throckmorton. No. 25. Comanche, Mills, Brown, Coleman, McCulloch, Mason, Eastland,

Menard, Concho, Runnels, Coke, Tom Green, Schleicher, Irion, Sterling, Gillespie and Kimble.

No. 26. Kerr, Kendall, Bexar and Bandera.

No. 27. Zavalla, Frio, McMullen, La Salle, Dimmitt, Webb, Duval, Jim Wells, Kenedy, Nucces, Kleberg, Willacy, Brooks, Jim Hogg, Zapata, Starr, Hidalgo and Cameron.

No. 28. Tarrant.

No. 29. El Paso, Hudspeth, Culberson, Reeves, Loving, Winkler, Ward, Ector, Midland, Glasscock, Reagan, Upton, Crane, Crockett, Sutton, Edwards, Real, Kinney, Val Verde, Terrell, Brewster, Presidio, Jeff Davis, Pecos, Uvalde, Medina and Mayerick.

Presidio, Jeff Davis, Pecos, Uvalde, Medina and Maverick.
No. 30. Bailey, Lamb, Hale, Floyd, Motley, Cottle, Cochran, Hockley, Lubbock, Crosby, Dickens, King, Yoakum, Terry, Lynn, Garza, Kent, Stonewall, Gaines, Dawson, Borden, Andrews, Martin

and Howard.

No. 31. Dallam, Sherman, Hansford, Ochiltree, Lipscomb, Hartley, Moore, Hutchinson, Roberts, Hemphill, Oldham, Potter, Carson, Gray, Wheeler, Denf Smith, Randall, Armstrong, Donley, Collingsworth, Parmer, Castro, Swisher, Briscoe, Hall and Childress.

SEC. 2. That Article 25 Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911,

shall hereafter read as follows:

Article 25. The County Judges of the following counties shall receive returns and count the votes, and issue certificates of election to persons receiving the highest number for Senator at any election in their respective districts, to-wit:

First District—Bowie. Second District—Harrison Third District-Angelina. Fourth District-Jefferson. Fifth District-Walker. Sixth District-Navarro. Seventh District—Smith. Eighth District-Lamar. Ninth District-Grayson. Tenth District—Hunt. Eleventh District—Dallas. Twelfth District—Ellis. Thirteenth District—McLennan. Fourteenth District—Bastrop. Fifteenth District-Colorado. Sixteenth District-Harris. Seventeenth District-Wharton. Eighteenth District-Bee. Nineteenth District—Caldwell. Twentieth District—Williamson. Twenty-first District-Bell. Twenty-second District—Wise Twenty-third District-Wichita. Twenty-fourth District-Taylor. Twenty-fifth District—Brown. Twenty-sixth District.—Bexar. Twenty-seventh District—Nueces. Twenty-eighth District-Tarrant. Twenty-ninth District-El Paso. Thirtieth District-Lubbock. Thirty-first District—Potter.

SEC. 3. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby expressly repealed.

SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect and be in force on and after April 1, A. D. 1924, not sooner.

SEC. 5. Should any provision, part or section of this Act be held to be unconstitutional, it shall in no wise affect the remainder of the Act, but that the remainder of the Act shall be and remain in full force and effect as though the portion that may be held unconstitutional had never been a part of this Act.

SEC. 6. The unequal apportionment of Senatorial Districts and the great importance of redistricting the State in this respect creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that the said rule be, and the same is hereby suspended.

[Note.—The enrolled bill shows that the foregoing Act passed the House, no vote given; and passed the Senate with amendments, yeas 27, nays 2; that House refused to concur in the Senate amendments, and requested a free conference committee; that Senate granted request of House for free conference committee; that House adopted report of conference committee, no vote given; and Senate adopted report of conference committee, no vote given.]

Became a law without the Governor's signature. Effective April 1, 1924.